

The City of Cambridge and F.W. Russell & Sons Disposal are proud to offer Cambridge businesses a convenient, curbside recycling program at a substantially lower price than private haulers!!

Q. What materials can be recycled?

- A. Paper items, including office paper and newspaper; glass, metal, and plastic containers, and cardboard.



Q. Will I get a bin?

- A. Yes! Red bins one-third larger than regular residential bins will be provided to businesses that sign up for the program. Each week, a business may put up to four full bins of material at the curb, in addition to one cubic yard (3 x 3 x 3') of flattened, bundled cardboard. All items must be placed in a bin, except for cardboard.

If you have medium sized quantities of recyclables, we offer a “toter” service option, which provides one or more large 95-gallon wheeled recycling containers to businesses.

Q. What if I occasionally put out more than the limit?

- A. You will be billed separately for extra material. The charges for occasional excess are:
- \$2.00 per cubic yard of cardboard
 - \$1.50 per bin of paper
 - \$1.50 per bin of containers
- If a business consistently exceeds the material limit, a separate arrangement must be made with F.W. Russell or another company to handle the excess material.

Q. How often and when are the recyclables picked up?



- A. Material will be collected at the curb once a week. (This frequent schedule will allow you to quickly move out your recyclables – freeing up valuable storage space!) When you sign up for the program, F.W. Russell will let you know when collection begins and your collection day.

Q. How much does the program cost?

- A. This program is offered for an economical annual fee of \$212 per year, payable prior to the start of service. The price includes one red bin and weekly curbside collection. A business may use additional bins at an extra charge.

Number of Bins	One Time Charge For Bins	Collection Costs
1 st bin	FREE!	\$212/yr (base fee)
2 nd bin	\$20	No extra charge!
3 rd bin	\$20	\$53/yr, plus base fee
4 th bin	\$20	\$106/yr, plus base fee
Each toter	FREE!	\$425/yr (95 gal)

- Replacement Bin - \$20 each
- Replacement Toter - \$80 each

Q. Can I save money by recycling?

- A. Yes! While the recycling program costs a small amount, businesses may actually see a SAVINGS on their trash bills. How? All the material you recycle is less material going into your trash. Depending on how much material you recycle, you could reduce the number of pick-ups needed for your trash or reduce the size of your dumpster. Either way, you save!

Q. How will my recycling efforts benefit the environment?

- A. Materials collected for recycling have already been refined and processed once, so manufacturing the second time around is usually much cleaner and less energy-intensive than the first. At the current recycling levels, the U.S. is saving enough energy through recycling to provide electricity for 9 million homes.

Statistics Source: Anti Recycling Myths, by Richard A. Denison and John F. Ruston. Environmental Defense Fund. July 9, 1996

Q. How do I sign up?

- A. Call F.W. Russell & Sons Disposal, Inc. AT (617) 776-5854

Other questions about recycling?
Please call Cambridge DPW at
(617) 349-4815